

Famous Orchestra to Play for Queen's Ball

Baseball Stars To Choose Queen

Big Event Staged For January 6

The big party presenting about 20 major league baseball players, coming here to officially open the 1940 season of winter sports, will take place here Saturday evening, January 6th. At that time a winter queen will be selected for Grayling.

This promises to be a brilliant affair and the local winter sports committee isn't neglecting a single thing that will help to make this event a much-talked-of affair for many years to come.

"Birdie" Tebbetts has been busy in Detroit for the past several weeks, getting in touch with a number of baseball stars and everyone seems to be looking forward to coming to Grayling for this event. About 20 well known diamond stars are expected to be in attendance. Also a number of newspaper editors will be present.

One of the functions of the guests will be to make impartial selection of a young lady to serve as winter queen and hostess for Grayling Winter Sports, Inc., for the season.

In the evening there will be a grand queen's ball in the school gym, where the public will be welcome and will have an opportunity of getting acquainted with the distinguished guests.

To make this an outstanding event, one of the most famous orchestras in the country has been engaged to furnish the music for the ball. The following article will tell you all about them. This is going to be one of the finest balls ever given in Grayling. Plan to attend.

Leroy Smith And His Orchestra

The oft expressed belief that "there is nothing new under the sun" has been refuted by Leroy Smith, famous colored orchestra leader and violinist, who has

ing achievements was his Victor recording in dance arrangement form of "Rhapsody In Blue," one of the brilliant works of the late world-famous composer, George Gershwin. Smith was also one of the first to introduce it to the dancing public and played it until it was recalled in dance form and prepared for concert use by Paul Whiteman, who adopted it as his official radio theme. It has been said that Whiteman, early in his career, studied Smith's musical methods, and with variations of his own, applied them to his own organization.

Leroy Smith is a veteran of the air waves, having been featured with his orchestra on many of the country's top ranking radio programs. He has toured the entire Keith and RKO theatre circuits, headlining on most occasions. He has been featured in theatres and clubs with such stars as Sophie Tucker, Harry Richman, Benny Davis and numerous others.

His most notable engagements were in New York City, and included two and one-half years at the world-famous Reisenweber's Paradise Roof, six years at Connie's Inn, in New York's Harlem, the opening engagement at the French Casino and long runs at the Park Central Hotel and other famous New York spots. On practically all of his New York engagements and elsewhere, he established engagement records, that even to this day, have not been shattered. His other engagements include Club Ciro, in London, where he appeared with Harry Richman, two years at the LaMotte Hotel and Atlantic Casino, in Atlantic City, the Walton Hotel, in Philadelphia, and more recently the Mayfair Casino, in Cleveland, where he remained for seventeen consecutive weeks.

Leroy and his orchestra were co-starred in such famous New York colored revues as "Rhapsody In Black" with Ethel Waters, which ran for two consecutive years (1932-33) and Connie's Hot Chocolates in 1936.

Locals Take Game From Kalkaska 23-13

In a fast game, the Grayling High school basketball team defeated Kalkaska here Thursday by a 23-13 score. The local second team lost a close ball game to the Kalkaska "B" squad, 14-10.

In the varsity game, the Grayling Northern Lights were in great form and by good passing and shooting piled up a 16-4 lead at the half. Kalkaska gained the upper hand in the last half and outscored the locals 9-7.

Deckrow played his usual steady game and led the scores. Kraus and McDonnell were outstanding at the backboards. Thompson, Wylie, and Welch played fine floor games. For Kalkaska, Armstrong, Spencer, and McLean stood out.

Practice will be resumed on January 2nd in preparation for the Gaylord game. January 5th, and the Boyne City game January 9th. The games will be played here.

CHILDREN OF COUNTY HAD NICE CHRISTMAS

All Crawford county children had a merry Christmas. Two hundred assorted toys, dolls, sleds, etc., were collected and repaired, painted and otherwise renovated by the Grayling Boy Scout troop, led by Mr. Herbert Rowland.

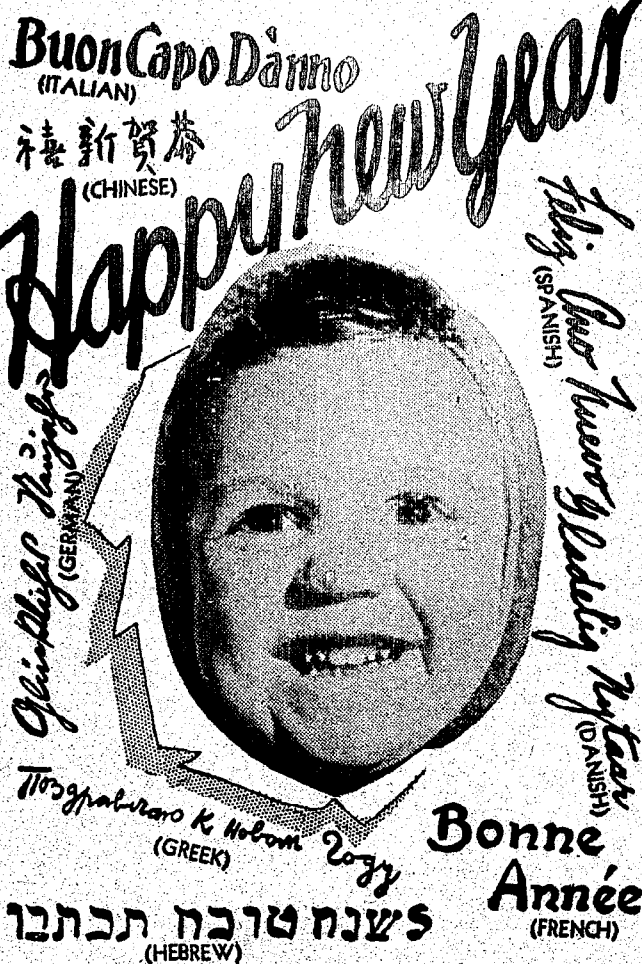
The Junior Ladies Aid of Michelson Memorial church sponsored this project, furnishing the necessary funds and also dressed the dolls and assisted in the distribution of the toys. Mrs. Ernest Borchers is president of this group.

This project was carried on with the supervision of the Works Projects Administration Recreation leaders, and was organized and generally supervised by Arthur G. Clough, Area Recreation supervisor.

The Grayling High school shop was made available as a toy work shop by Mr. Gerald Poor, Superintendent of school.

The cooperation of all worked towards a successful project and proved to be very much worth while from the standpoint of material accomplishments.

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Happy New Year
(SPANISH)
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SOFTBALL SCHEDULE BEING DRAWN UP

The schedule for the seven-man softball season is being drawn up and the first game will be on January 9th, 1940. At present four teams are entered, namely Kiwanis Club, A & P Store, Firemen and the Recreation Club. Any other entries will be welcome.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, will be final practice night. All teams entered will be invited to attend this practice, after which a "ground rules discussion" will be held.

This program is sponsored by the Michigan Works Projects Administration in cooperation with local organizations.

IKE WALTONS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Rube Babbitt Chapter of the Izaak Walton League will hold their annual meeting at the Courthouse January 4th, at 8:00 p. m.

This meeting is particularly important in that officers to head the organization will be elected at that time.

A project to create feeding and breeding grounds for water fowl in this area will be discussed, as well as a means of further increasing the fish population. If you have any ideas on these or other kindred projects of mutual interest, please attend. This applies whether you are a member or not.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Next Sunday Services

10:00 a. m.—Bible School.

11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship.

Last day of the year, last chance to attend. Come.

H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

List of Donors To Finnish Relief Fund

Following are the names of those who have already contributed to the Finnish Relief Fund:

Dr. C. G. Clippert	\$2.00
Shoppenagons Inn	2.00
Anton Kangas	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lauri	5.00
Mrs. Mary Hein	1.00
Christ Johnson	1.00
Carl Tahvonen	1.00
Emil Tahvonen	.50
Einer Tahvonen	1.00
O. P. Schumann	2.00
Jonas Wirtanen	2.00
Wm. Raue	1.00

The Avalanche will continue to accept contributions for this fund until further notice.

WELL KNOWN FREDERIC COUPLE MARRIED

Miss Mearl Patterson and Clare D. Melroy of Frederic have announced their marriage, that occurred in Tiffin, Ohio on December 12th. The ceremony was performed at the parsonage of the English Lutheran church in Tiffin, Rev. Wayne O. Kamper officiating. Attending the couple were the bridegroom's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Melroy, who reside in that city.

The bride has always lived in Frederic and Mr. Melroy, who had made his home in Lovells for several years has operated a gas station on US 27 there for the past four years. Mrs. Melroy is treasurer of Frederic township which office she has held for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Melroy after spending a week in Tiffin and Detroit returned to Frederic, where they are occupying the new home they had awaiting them. They are being besieged with congratulations and best wishes of their hosts of friends, who include just about everyone in Frederic.

CHANGE IN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

The games with Gaylord High school will be reversed. Gaylord will play at Grayling on January 5th. Grayling will appear at Gaylord on January 26th.

Because of the Winter Sports party on January 6th, the Boyne City game scheduled on that date will be played on Tuesday, January 9th.

This means two outstanding games at Grayling on January 5th and 9th. Plan to attend them.

GRAYLING DANISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Services
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Danish services.

New Years Day, Jan. 1, 1940
11:00 a. m.—English services.

Sunday, Jan. 7th.
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School.

11:00 a. m.—English Services.
2:30 p. m.—Congregational meeting in the church.

P. C. Stockholm, Pastor.

Shoppenagons Inn Opening New Cocktail Lounge

PROMISES TO OUT CLASS ANY SIMILAR PLACE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

The new "Blue Room," Shoppenagons Inn's new cocktail lounge, will open tonight for business. The official opening, however, will be held Saturday night, December 30th.

This promises to be the finest and most beautiful of any similar places in Northern Michigan. It will be a place of beautiful appointments, comfortable and elaborate.

There is a street entrance and also one that connects from the hotel lobby directly into it. The walls are decorated in three tones of blue, with chrome strips separating the colors.

The room is furnished with leather upholstered booths, the colors of the booths being blue and yellow. The tables are of black Micaarta tops with chrome trim. The chairs are of chrome, upholstered in blue and yellow leather.

The lighting is done with 36 feet of fluorescent pink lights. At the back end of the room is a small dance space.

The rest rooms are nicely arranged and afford every comfort, being modernly equipped.

Mrs. Cassidy, owner of the hostelry, is to be congratulated for her courage and enterprise. We wish her abundant returns for her efforts.

1200 Children Enjoy Community Tree

It was a happy throng of children that invaded Grayling and the Rialto theatre Friday afternoon for the community Christmas tree. It was a beautiful sunny afternoon, so that there was an unusually large crowd numbering 1200, who enjoyed the festivities.

Shirley Temple in "Susanna of the Mounted" thrilled the kiddies aplenty with her cuteness. There were two performances and each time the building was crowded. Leaving the theatre each child was given a large sack of candies and nuts by good old St. Nick, who was waiting at the entrance. He in turn received many "Thank you" and happy smiles.

This is the biggest event in Grayling at Christmas and is looked forward to each year by children from all corners of Crawford and Roscommon counties. Many little children are made happy through the kind generosity of Grayling's business men, who contribute to the fund each year.

REXALL CONTEST WINNERS

Following are the names of the prize winners in the annual contest held at Max & Gidley's Rexall Drug store during Christmas.

Boys—
1. Bonnie Larson—Electric train.
2. Bobby Brady—Erector set.
3. James Welte—Kaster set.
4. Devere Matthews—Mechanical train.
5. Jerry Barber—Boxing gloves.
6. Bobby Bishaw—Basketball set.
7. James Hatfield—Prize puzzle.
8. Eddie Cody—Roller skates.

Girls—
1. Marilyn Giltner—Large doll.
2. Marlene Sorenson—Doll.
3. Sara L. Smith—Charlie McCarthy.

4. Sally McLean—Doll.
5. Nancy Hilton—Dydece doll.
6. Emily Giegling—Xylophone.
7. Sandra Sweeney—Tea set.
8. Jaunita Morency—Electric stove.

BRIDGE DINNER HOSTS

Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore were hosts at a beautiful Christmas dinner at the home of the Clipperts' Wednesday evening.

The bright Christmas reds together with the brilliantly lighted Christmas tree made very festive decorations.

Bridge followed the dinner with Mrs. Emil Giegling and Mr. Carl Johnson holding the high scores.

Mrs. Kenneth Dobbys of Detroit was an out-of-town guest.

Republic of Liberia Motto
The Republic of Liberia, founded at the beginning of last century by Negro freedmen from the United States, has on its seal the motto, "Love of Liberty Brought Us Here."

Pugilists Declare War For Fistic Honors

JACK WADE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF GOLDEN GLOVES TOURNNEY

Annual Event Week Of Jan. 22

The Ike Waltons have announced dates for the third annual Golden Gloves tournament which are as follows: Preliminaries, Jan. 22-23-24, semi-finals, Jan. 26, and finals Jan. 27.

At this time everything points toward the biggest and best show the League has put on so far. With neighboring communities showing intense interest in boxing, and training teams to enter in competition, to say nothing of the increasing number of fighters who have proven their skill and ability in previous matches here and who are building up the entries in the open class, the indications are that there will be plenty of biff and swat in the January show.

West Branch has announced that they will hold their tournament Jan. 10, 11, and 13, and will send a winning team here to prove to all concerned that they take their boxing seriously in West Branch. Judging by the results of the recent clambake which they held down there, we would say that their entries should be taken seriously indeed by all concerned.

Boys City, that wide awake neighbor to the north, needs no ballyhoo to introduce them as they have proved in previous tournaments here that they have what it takes to make champions. Suffice to say that they will hold a four-night tournament Jan. 16, 17, 19 and 20. The boys who emerge from this with all of their ears will charge upon Grayling with their customary determination, and without a doubt will account for their usual number of opponents, and go on to Bay City with battle flags flying. The Veterans of Foreign Wars up in Gaylord have assured us that they will have a team on hand, and those who witnessed the Championship Belt tourney here in November know that Gaylord has some boys who really have ability and "innards."

Three Civilian Conservation Corps camps will enter here, and three at West Branch, with the camps in the Boyne City area entering there. This means, of course, that when everything is boiled down, Grayling will be the final battlefield for the entire area, and will be able to show the fans some exciting evenings.

The Izaak Walton League has never been accused of giving the fans less than their money's worth at these medicine shows, and it looks as though this year would be outstanding in interest.

Genial Jack Wade, who in private life operates a neat tourist camp at Lake Margrethe, and who is a general favorite hereabouts will head the Golden Gloves committee, and this is sufficient assurance that all details will be attended to with despatch and fairness to all. He has named the following men to share his headaches as members of the Executive Committee: Ernest Hoesli, Stanley Flower, R. A. Wright, and Jack Redhead. Sub-committee will be made up of the following lads: Axel Peterson, Farnham Matson, Carl Bliss, Bert Norris, Otto Peterson, Ernie Borchers, Eugene Papendick, and Lawrence Hunter.

Farnham Matson New Kiwanis Pres.

CHAS. E. MOORE, RETIRING PRESIDENT, CLOSED SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The Kiwanis Club of Grayling closed a very successful and interesting year at its meeting Wednesday noon. President Charles E. Moore at that time turned over the gavel of authority to newly elected president Farnham Matson.

Emil Giegling of Grayling, lieutenant governor of the 8th district, of which Grayling club is a part, duly installed the new officers and directors, outlining to each the duties that come to him under his authority.

President Moore expressed his appreciation to the club for the fine cooperation that had been given during the past year and duly relinquished his presidential pin and gavel of authority to the new president.

Dr. C. R. Keyport succeeds Farnham Matson as vice president and Norman Butler succeeds Roy Trudgeon as secretary-treasurer.

President Matson expressed his appreciation for this fine honor that had been accorded him by his fellow Kiwanians and gave an outline of the plans he had decided upon for the coming year. He announced the appointment of the following committees:

Agriculture Committee:
Chairman—Amos Hunter.
Max Laage, James McDonnell.
Club Meetings (Includes House, Reception and Attendance):
Chairman—Roy Trudgeon.
Alfred Sorenson; Glen Penrod.
Boys' & Girls' Work:
Chairman—Herbert Rowland.
Amos Hunter, T. P. Peterson.
Public Affairs:
Chairman—James McDonnell.
Esbern Hanson, George Granger.

Finance:
Board of Directors.
Inter-Club Relations:
Chairman—Dr. J. F. Cook.
Dr. C. R. Keyport, Royal A. Wright.

Kiwanis Education:
Chairman—Rev. H. W. Kuhlman.
Emil Giegling, Charles E. Moore.

Membership:
Chairman—Roy Milnes.
Dr. Stanley Stealy, George Granger.

Music:
Chairman—Dr. C. G. Clippert.
H. Rowland, Jess Schoonover.

Program:
Chairman—H. F. Peterson.
A. J. Joseph, Royal Wright.

Publicity Committee:
Chairman—Don Sweeney.
O. P. Schumann, Alfred Sorenson.

Under-Privileged Children:
Chairman—Fred R. Welsh.
Dr. C. G. Clippert, Charles Melichar.

Vocational Guidance:
Chairman—Gerald L. Poor.
Dr. Stanley Stealy, C. J. McNamara.

Special Committee on Achievement Reports:
Chairman—A. J. Joseph.
Norman Butler, Rev. H. W. Kuhlman.

Rev. Kuhlman expressed for the club the fine appreciation they had for retiring president Moore, and for the excellent service he had rendered during the tenure of his office.

Mrs. Gorman, school nurse, will give a talk on health problems at the next meeting of the club—January 3rd.

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"PETOSKEY IS NOT SMART"

Al Weber, publisher of the Cheboygan Observer, in a recent issue of that newspaper said the following:

Petoskey is not smart when it seeks to belittle Grayling's publicity on behalf of its winter sports program, and points to the claim that Grayling presents with a lot of gusto its claim for winter sports greatness, but that Grayling has neither the facilities or natural terrain which Petoskey boasts. We admit Petoskey possesses a lot of advantages any winter sports community would be proud to boast of, but Grayling is geographically setting pretty. It has facilities far beyond any other place in the middle west, or outside of Lake Placid, and it has some terrain that Petoskey doesn't know about. This winter sports show is a big thing. Big enough for all of us in our own way and we should help each other instead of attempting to make uncomplimentary comparisons.

Is Petoskey Getting Petty?

When we hear of stories that obviously emanate from Petoskey in which the facilities of Grayling Winter Sports park are belittled, we wonder if some of the citizens of that city aren't getting to be petty about the matter.

Grayling people started winter sports on a scale that has extended beyond our own confines. We were the first. Then other places found that there was a demand for winter sport and they followed suit, with Grayling, Petoskey was among them. Fine skating rinks were developed. Toboggan slides were constructed. More and more people every year looked forward to that kind of winter activity. Many places made their winter carnivals glamorous affairs. It was great fun, but a lot of work and usually was accompanied by financial losses. In this Grayling shared until our merchants and others wondered if it was worth it. But Grayling persisted and kept on.

Petoskey probably had the finest skating rink in the state. That was in former years. Now Grayling has a winter ice rink that will not be equalled in Michigan in the near future, if ever. Petoskey has no moral reason for trying to belittle Grayling winter park. Michigan is a big state and there is room for everyone in all lines of endeavor. There will be winter sports in Petoskey and other cities just as long as

the citizens of those communities care to promote them.

Of course Grayling has stepped ahead so far that it is outstanding and is generally known as the Capital City of winter sports. That was made possible by the aid afforded by the state and federal governments. How many communities in Michigan can afford to spend a half million dollars for winter sports. It was Grayling's ideal location geographically and its general land surface and the attitude of our people toward winter sports that brot about its selection.

It is only silly for Petoskey people to try to belittle Grayling in winter sports. We are sure there are a lot of people there who are not in harmony with the few who take that attitude.

UP IN THE STICKS

(By R. E. Prescott, in Alcona County Herald)

To the folks who have read clever things I have said, gems of wisdom this column adorning, who impatiently wait for the mail at the gate, till the mailman arrives Friday morning, just to see what the heck irrepressible PECK has to say, in unWebster-like diction, of our public affairs or our worries and cares or on facts that are stranger than fiction, or his quips with a grin or his potshots at sin (and, like Coolidge, he's always ag'in it); or his jabs at the hides of political snakes who are statesmen for what there is in it; or his caustic comment on the money that's spent buying votes under various guises; or opinions and views on events in the news in an era that's full of surprises—

To those other folks, too—readers old, readers new, and to those who read but on occasion; and to those who entuse o'er his comment and views, and to those of much different persuasion, whose opinions contrast and whose words in the past have been heated enough to raise blisters; (but the Good Book says, still, to spread peace and good will, so at Christmas we're brothers and sisters)—

Be it near, be it far, or wherever you are, from Vancouver to Panama's Isthmus; if you like me or not, and whatever your lot, let me wish one and all Merry Christmas.

By R. E. Prescott.

3 TONS FISHING LICENSES NOW READY

The Michigan fisherman may get an idea of how numerous his fellow anglers are by realizing that the collective weight of the more than a million 1940 licenses, packed for 2,200 dealers, exceeds three tons. Each license is a small printed card.

The 1940 one dollar resident licenses are necessary for any kind of fishing after January 1, and good for all kinds. Forty cents from each license sold will go toward purchase of lake and stream frontage to insure continued public access to fishing grounds and for lake and stream improvement and research.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wade spent Christmas in Toledo with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Devere Benware of Vanderbilt spent the week end visiting their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Harwood, and Mr. and Mrs. T. SanCartier spent Christmas day in Midland.

Bob Tiffin is spending his vacation visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Chas. Tiffin in West Branch.

Miss Florence Butler spent the Christmas week end visiting her father, William Butler, in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Strohauser of Alger were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Flower over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sorenson and children spent Sunday and Monday visiting relatives in Saginaw.

Mrs. George Burrows and daughter Leona of Flint spent the week end visiting relatives here.

Leo Skinner is home from Big Bay visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Skinner, over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Sweeney and daughter Sandra spent the Christmas week end with relatives in Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin of Toledo spent the week end visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell.

Capt. and Mrs. Reynolds of Lake Margrethe spent the Christmas holidays visiting relatives in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson of Saginaw spent Christmas day at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Miss Virginia and Kermit Charon of C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, are spending their vacation at the home of their parents.

Harold Edwards arrived home Saturday from Big Bay, where he is employed and is spending the holidays with his family.

Miss Anna Nielsen of Grand Rapids spent Christmas visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nielsen.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter McCall of Detroit were the guests of Mrs. McCall's mother, Mrs. Frank Barnett, over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Endricks and daughter, Milene of Detroit spent the Christmas holidays visiting Mrs. Endricks' mother, Mrs. Victor Sorenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Mariatt and daughter, Nancielee of Detroit, were the guests of Mrs. Mariatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Strope, over Christmas.

Rev. and Mrs. P. C. Stockholm enjoyed a visit from their son, Dick of Detroit, and their daughter, Miss Kirsten, of Des Moines, Iowa, over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson Jr., of St. Louis, Mich., spent Wednesday and Thursday at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Braidwood have been entertaining the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Braidwood of Almont, Mich., since before Christmas.

Mrs. Herluf Sorenson and daughter, Elna Mae and Charles Moshier spent Christmas day visiting Mrs. Sorenson's sister, Mrs. R. M. Jamieson, in Cadillac.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Glenn and children and Flora Glenn of Portsmouth, Ohio are spending this week visiting the ladies' sisters, Mrs. Taylor Loper and Miss Shirley Glenn.

Bob Hanson was home from Detroit and spent the week end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Zauel of Saginaw were also Christmas guests.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stephan and Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hunter and son Rex returned Tuesday from the Soo, where they were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stephan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow and daughters of Detroit, are holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Burrows. They are also visiting his mother, Mrs. Alex LaGrow.

William Heric, who is employed for the Kerry & Hanson Co. at Big Bay, arrived home Saturday to spend Christmas with his family and is remaining in Grayling for the week. Other guests at the Heric home Christmas day were Mrs. Heric's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Nielsen of East Tawas and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hessel-sweet of New Era, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson and sons Wilfred and Robert, of Saginaw, were yuletide guests of Mrs. Peter Robertson and family.

Mrs. Kate Loskos returned home Wednesday after spending Christmas at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Ekkens and family in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanselman of Milan, Mich., and Mrs. Lipman Landsberg of Inkster visited over the holidays with the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Mont-tour.

The choir of St. Michael's church, Roscommon, rendered the music at high mass at St. Mary's church Christmas morning and it was very lovely. At a second mass a group of young ladies sang Christmas carols; and Rev. Fr. James Moloney had a fine message for his congregation at each service.

Christmas Cantata Well Received

In a beautiful Christmas setting the annual cantata under the able direction of Mrs. C. G. Clippert, was given at Michelson Memorial church Sunday afternoon. Beautiful Christmas greens were enhanced by dozens of lighted tapers. Ernest Borchers superintended the decorations and they were very lovely.

The cantata was well received by a large attendance of music lovers. Of the some 70 people who participated, Messrs Harold Jarmin and Don Gothro, Miss Helene Babbitt, Mrs. Roy Milnes and Mrs. Stanley Stealy had solo parts. Mrs. T. P. Peterson presided at the organ, Mrs. C. G. Clippert at the piano and Mr. Noa of Gaylord, who is a very able musician, accompanied as violinist. Don Young also accompanied some of the numbers on his saxophone.

To Mrs. C. G. Clippert goes the bulk of the credit for the very beautiful and inspiring program.

REXALL CONTEST BOYS AND GIRLS EXTEND THANKS

I won the first prize in the Mac & Gidley Rexall store contest and am very pleased and want to thank all my friends for giving me their votes. And many thanks to Mr. McNamara too.

Marilyn Gildner.

I wish to thank those who so kindly put in their votes for me at the Rexall Drug Store contest, helping me to win the seventh prize.

Jimmy Hatfield.

I wish to thank all who voted for me in the Rexall contest.

Bobby Brady.

I am very happy over winning first prize in the Mac & Gidley Rexall Drug Store contest and wish to thank my friends for voting for me, and Mr. McNamara for making the contest possible.

Ronald Larson.

Lignin From Corn Cobs

AMES, IOWA.—In their search for some practical use for lignin, one of the country's principal waste products, federal chemists have discovered that recovered lignin is more effective in treating hard water containing iron than commercial compounds now in use.

At the agricultural by-products laboratory in Ames, chemists of the department of agriculture treated hard city water, added well water, and water containing hard iron with lignin prepared from corn cobs and found this material to be effective as an iron-removal agent. Supplies of lignin are inexpensive because they are almost limitless. Roughly, one-fourth of all wood plants, including trees, is lignin. As a waste product of wood pulp mills, where its disposal pollutes streams, it amounts to about 1,500,000 dry-weight-tons each year. At least 6,000,000 tons a year is available from corn stalks and an equal quantity from wheat straw. Other extensive supplies are cottonseed hulls and sugarcane bagasse—the fiber remaining after the juice has been squeezed from it.

The discovery promises the first extensive use for lignin in its original form, because few cities have water sufficiently pure that it does not require treatment for removing iron, which imparts an unsightly appearance and undesirable taste.

Caspian Rescue Ship
A large ice breaker stationed in the Caspian sea serves as a life-saving vessel for fishermen.

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First Gas Mask Made By Londoner in 1854

It has just been discovered by the Bulletin of the Imperial Institute that the first practical gas mask was invented by a Dr. Stenhouse in 1854, and its manufacture placed in the hands of the instrument makers of St. Bartholomew's hospital, London. It was intended for physicians and nurses as a protection against air communicable diseases. On a back shelf of the hospital museum, what is believed to be the only specimen in existence was found.

In a thin copper sheet, padded with velvet and shaped to cover the nose and mouth, were inset two fine wire gauzes, one-eighth inch to one-quarter inch apart, with charcoal between. The respirator was held in position by a stout elastic band passing round the back of the head, and was designed "to absorb and destroy any miasmata or infectious particles present in the air in the case of fever and cholera hospital, and of districts infected with ague, yellow fever and similar diseases."

Dr. Stenhouse also suggested that "persons living in pestiliferous areas might make their houses as airtight as possible," and admit air only through charcoal filters. "It is a pity," the Bulletin comments, "that so much valuable work should have been overlooked in the period of emergency which arose some 60-odd years later, during the early part of the World war."

Old Letters Sometimes Carry Valuable Stamps

One frequently hears stories of rare stamp finds in old accumulations of mail. Usually the stories are not very well authenticated. There must be some interesting items still hidden away, but most old desks and trunks of letters have been pretty well ransacked by juvenile collectors.

Still, if you are so fortunate as to have an attic in the family, it would be interesting to have a look at the old letters. It might possibly pay. Should you find a five-cent brown stamp of the year 1881 with the head of Jefferson on it, which someone forgot to use, you will never again scold Aunt Emma for saving old papers. The stamp is catalogued at \$2,250.

A one-cent indigo of the same vintage (head of Franklin) is worth \$3,500, while an unused 12-cent black (head of Washington) calls for \$7,000. But they must be the first issue of this series, which was on very thin paper. Later ones are on thick paper and are low in value.

Maybe there is a New Haven, Conn., stamped envelope of 1845, a five-cent blue stamp on a buff envelope—one of those tiresome letters of advice Great-Great-Aunt Hetty used to write to her nephews. Her advice was valuable: that stamped envelope is worth \$10,000! —Commentator.

Family Tradition Survives

In the days when the Venetians held the secret of fine glass making and kept it under penalty of death, the skill of the glass blowers was passed from father to son for generations. The death penalty was repealed a thousand years ago and the glass blowers gave way to modern machinery early in the present century. But the skill of the plate glass polishers continues as a family tradition in the big glass plants of Toledo, Ohio. For example, on the 1,700-foot polishing line in the Libbey-Owens-Ford plant here there are seven father-and-son combinations. Technical developments have given them a 350-ton machine, electrically controlled, with which to grind off a paper-thin layer of glass to give the plate its crystal polish. Nevertheless, the perfected product depends largely on their skill in grading and handling more than 30 different sands and polishing materials, some of it so fine that it could almost be used to brush your teeth!

Gas Tells Age of Rock

A new method of measuring small amounts of gases extracted from rocks has been developed by Dr. Alfred C. Lane, professor emeritus of geology at Tufts college. It will measure a volume as small as a grain of wheat extracted from a ton of rock or very much smaller amounts taken from smaller samples. It is a vacuum tube containing a fine wire whose resistance is altered by the impact of the gas molecules which reduce its temperature. It is used in measuring the amount of helium produced by the breakdown of radium in rocks. The amount of this gas gives an index of the length of time the radium has been disintegrating in the rock and this gives the rock's age and that in turn gives an index of the earth's age. The more accurate determination made by this device gives the earth's age as 2,000,000,000 years or more, says Professor Lane.

Ember Day Adaptation
Ember days, which were instituted by Pope Gregory as days of fasting and prayer, are the Wednesday, Friday and Saturday after the first Sunday in Lent, after Whitsunday, after the fourteenth of September and after the thirteenth of December. They were an adaptation of a Roman session of prayer and fasting with petitions to the Roman deities for success in the spring seeding, the June bountiful harvest, September rich vintage and December winter seeding.

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During the Christmas season, nothing is so essential to the cheer, comfort and health of your family and guests as a warm, even temperature in your home.

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DISCRETION

A small boy who had scratched his name on the paint of a standing motor-car had been cuffed by the motorist for his pains.

His wallings attracted a crowd, through which his father elbowed a path. "Oo struck my boy?" he exclaimed in furious tones. "Show 'im to me. Show me the man 'oo struck my boy!"

The motorist stood up; he was six feet two in his socks and 49 inches round the chest.

"I did," he said, quietly. "Serve 'im right, sir," said the man touching his cap. "I'll give 'im another 'iding when I get 'im 'ome."

And Licenses?

"We were out on the steppes of Siberia in our sleigh," related the "woman's club" explorer. "Suddenly we heard an awful howling—and soon, looking back, we could see the dark muzzles of bloodthirsty wolves!"

"Gracious!" gasped a sweet young thing. "How fortunate for you they had on their muzzles!"

OUCH!



Ben—I love you better than my life.

Bess—Considering the life you lead, I am not surprised.

Present-Day Standards

The teacher had just finished telling the story of the Pilgrims, to a group of small children.

"Now, Gertrude," began the teacher, "when the Pilgrims had been here a year and had gathered in their good crops, what did they do?"

"Bought a car," replied Gertrude.

Mark Twain Story

One day Mark Twain arrived in a Canadian hotel, and glancing over the register, took note of the signature of the last arrival: "Baron—and valet."

Mark signed, and then when the clerk looked at the register, this met his eyes: "Mark Twain—and Valise."

Sympathy

Two butchers had shops next to each other and there was a great rivalry. One day the first butcher put up a notice in his window: "The King eats our sausages."

The next day the other butcher put up a notice with the words: "God save the King."—Montreal Star.

Inheritance

"What is Mesa Bill so gloomy about?" said the traveling salesman.

"Family fortune," said Cactus Joe. "His old folks left him a marked deck of cards to make a living with. He's wondering whether he'll have to pay an inheritance tax."

NO THANKS!



"You ought to do something for that cold."

"What? After the way it has treated me?"

Strategy

Enemy at the Maneuvers—You are my prisoner.

Sergeant Binks—Nonsense! How did you get here?

Enemy—Over the bridge.

Sergeant Binks—Then my dear fellow, you are drowned. We blew up that bridge yesterday!

When He Took Milk

"I believe strongly in this idea of an all-milk diet," said a man. "I lived on nothing but milk for a whole year, and look at me." "On nothing but milk?" asked the physician. "At what age?" "During the first year of my life."

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FOR SALE—Complete outfit of 4-room house, including furniture, furnishings, bedding, linen, rugs, electric range, canned fruit, dishes, cooking utensils, silver and china. Terms. For appointment to inspect, address Avalanche Office.

FOUND—Key chain with three keys and record & destroy tag on it. Inquire at Avalanche office.

LOST—Beagle pup, male, nine months old, black and white, answers to name of Boy. Last seen near my home on the South Side. Harry Worden, box 184.

LOST—Black billfold. Finder please return to Avalanche office and receive reward. Brad Jarmin.

Girl wanted for general house work. Phone 3321.

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment with private bath. Mrs. George Sorenson. Dial 4237.

FOR SALE—Three good milch cows; two to freshen soon. F. Jewell, 4 1/2 miles east of Frederic. 12-21-1

FOR SALE—One white Western horse, 13 years old. Will sell horse and harness for \$100. Also 100-shocks of white cap dent corn at 25c per shock. Oscar Kimbler, 3 miles west of Frederic, known as Horton farm. 12-21-3

LOST—Gray kitten. Finder please return to Gloria Moore.

STRAYED—Gray mare colt, black mane and tail; puffs on hind legs, from barbed wire fence. Strayed early in December. Anyone knowing its whereabouts, please notify Roy Newberry, Frederic. Reward offered.

FOR SALE—Business block on Main street, formerly location of Grayling postoffice. Now occupied. See me for particulars. O. P. Schumann. Phones 3111 and 3121.

40 ACRES FOR SALE—In Maple Forest township. SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4, section 3, town 28 north, range 3 west. Bargain at \$250. For particulars call Avalanche Office. Phone 3111.

FOR SALE—Piano and bench. Inquire at Avalanche office.

DINING ROOM SUITE FOR Sale. Dining table, buffet and six leather seated chairs. All in excellent condition. Phone 3121. Mrs. Oscar Schumann.



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Want Ads For Quick Results

Snow-Go Plow



As snow storms swept into the Upper Peninsula last week, the heavy duty equipment of the state highway department had its first taste of real snow-fighting for the present season. Mild weather through November and

December kept such giants as the Sno-go plow pictured above in their garages. But they have been ready for weeks to meet whatever challenge might be laid down by the elements on 9,000 miles of state trunkline highways.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 28, 1916

The bugle sounded and from the east came a response; it sounded again and this time the answer came from the north and once more, at the bugle call, came the reply from the west. Thus was the formal opening of the program for the Community Christmas tree. It was about 7:30 o'clock Saturday night when Mayor Hans Petersen mounted an elevated step before the Community Christmas tree and welcomed the people present. The electric lights were flashed on and the thirty-foot pine tree was made brilliant with many red, white and green lights. There were probably nearly a thousand people present.

Thursday, December 21, at about 3:30 o'clock occurred the sad death of Mrs. Charles F. Underhill, of Lovells, at Mercy Hospital in this city. For nearly two years past the lady had been ill. During the time of her stay at the hospital, her husband, Dr. Underhill was constantly at her bedside, and right up to the last moment was hopeful of her recovery. Mrs. Underhill was but 32 years old and a woman dearly loved by all who knew her. For a number of years Dr. and Mrs. Underhill catered to trout fishermen and for the past five years conducted the Underhill Club, located about two miles north of Lovells on the North Branch of the AuSable river. She leaves to mourn her death besides her husband, a son, Newell. The remains were taken to her girlhood home, Rochester, N. Y., for burial.

Miss Dorothy Pond, who is attending school in Lansing, is spending the holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Shoemaker and daughter Dorothy are spending the week here with Mrs. Shoemaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woodfield.

The Michigan Central is erecting a new office building at the round house to take the place of the small building that has long since been outgrown.

John Larson spent Christmas with his wife, who is at the University hospital in Ann Arbor.

Miss Jerrine Lanky of Bay City arrived yesterday to spend several days visiting former friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann are enjoying a visit from the latter's sister Mrs. Florence Doty of Grand Rapids.

Miss Helen Bauman entertained with a shower in honor of Mrs. John Pettit who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Salling.

Thursday night the M. E. church held their Christmas tree and the building was packed with people. A very nice program of Christmas carols, dialogues, etc., was carried out.

A military company has been organized in the high school with W. H. Case, captain; Roy Case, 1st lieutenant. There will be drill practice at the school gymnasium for the high school boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Eagles of Flint, are spending a few days among their friends in Grayling. Mr. Eagles, when here, was employed in the M. C. roundhouse.

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Mr. Sager, sales manager of the Simon Sales Company of Saginaw, was in Grayling Thursday and signed contracts with L. J. Kraus and Claude Gilson of this city for the 1917 agency for the Overland cars. The local dealers this year will do business under the firm name of Kraus & Gilson. It is the intention of the firm to build a garage and do auto repairing as well as carry a line of autos in stock.

Lorne J. Douglas of Saginaw visited his wife here Christmas. Miss Elvira Rasmussen entertained a few friends very nicely at her home last evening.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lauridsen on Sunday, December 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peck spent Christmas at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harry Wright, at the Military reservation.

Miss Cornelia Meistrup is entertaining a number of young ladies this afternoon at a miscellaneous shower to honor Mrs. John W. Pettit, formerly Miss Elsa Salling.

Miss Laura Simpson is home from Laurium, Mich., for the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Keyport enjoyed a visit from the former's parents over Christmas.

Will Wingard is spending the holiday vacation at the farm home of his uncle, Chas. Corwin, near Roscommon.

Mrs. David Montour and two youngest daughters left Wednesday to visit her parents at Standish during the school vacation.

Lieut. Hardin Sweeney received the latter part of last week as a Christmas gift a beautiful sabre. It bore the following inscription, "Hardin Sweeney, From His Comrades, Fort Ward, December, 1916."

The marriage of Miss Anna Jensen of Detroit, and Mr. L. C. Bundgaard of this city will occur at Grant, Mich., this evening. Miss Margrethe Hemmingsen and John B. Rosenstand left Wednesday to be in attendance, and will act as bridesmaid and groomsmen, respectively.

The following officers were elected for the K. of P. Order at their meeting Wednesday evening: Chancellor commander, Glen Smith; vice chancellor, J. Fred Alexander; prelate, Emil Giegling; master at arms, Peter Brown; master of exchequer, A. B. Failing; master of finance, Geo. McCullough; keeper of records and seal, A. J. Joseph; inner guard, T. P. Peterson; outer guard, Benjamin Hardquist.

Eldorado Nuggets

(23 Years Ago)

"Where's Fred Hartman?" This was the question most asked about here Thursday. When the truth was learned as to his whereabouts, it became known that he had gone very quietly to Grayling and married one of our most popular young ladies, Miss Sarah Williams.

Hersel Fairbotham of Grayling is spending Christmas with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams.

Miss Frances Wehnes is home from her school at Keno for the

holiday week.

Harry and Burton Williams were home from Grayling to spend Christmas.

Frederic News

(23 Years Ago)

Sam Smally and F. D. Griffin each lost a horse last week.

The home talent play given by the High school was fine, but a small crowd out.

The American House is open again to the public. It looks good to see it lively around there again. J. W. Burke is the new proprietor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Burch are cooking at the American House.

Mrs. Boyer of Cadillac is visiting her mother, Mrs. Layman and sister, Mrs. E. V. Barber.

Health & Hygiene

(Through the courtesy of The Detroit News, Children's Fund of Michigan and the W. K. Kellogg Foundation)

Health Axioms For Children

One of the difficulties in giving advice to mothers is that the experienced mother is slow to accept advice, while the inexperienced one welcomes advice from everyone. However, all will agree that certain truths apply to almost every case and the following axioms should serve to summarize several of the important points in the care of children.

A mother should nurse her child at least six months if possible. The child who cannot have its mother's milk should have a formula for feeding provided by the family physician or a pediatrician.

If a child does not thrive either on the mother's milk or a carefully prepared formula, there is something wrong which calls for an investigation by a physician.

Children must have rest periods where quiet prevails, and great regularity in habits of eating and sleeping should be acquired.

Cod liver oil, orange or tomato juice and vegetable broths are essential parts of the diet after weaning. If the diet is not adequate, or if the child does not gain weight, or if he develops some condition you do not understand, take him to a doctor.

Accidents cause a great many deaths and much disability. Constant watching and thoughtfulness is necessary to prevent them.

Young children should not be taken to the movies.

If a child has brain storms, temper tantrums, or vomits when displeased, it is still not too late to prevent the one result—a spoiled child. This child should be under a physician's supervision until the condition is corrected.

Tea, coffee, cold beverages and beer are poison to young children. A child requires more pure water than it often receives.

When anyone in the family has a cold or sore throat he should be isolated from children.

If a child's teeth decay quickly, look into his food habits and his hours in the open air, rather than purchase a new tooth brush.

It is never too early to begin teaching children good health habits. They should come before manners, and the first principle is learning to avoid dirt. The drinking cup, the common towel, putting the fingers into the mouth, tasting things found while playing—all these are capable of transmitting disease.

A child must learn to amuse himself and develop early the ability to get along with others of his own age. Parents should remember that there is no single remedy or "cure all" which will prevent poor mental hygiene.

THE WAR IN EUROPE

Finland Needs Assistance To
Continue Brave Fight
Against Russia

Finland's resistance to the Russian attacks along her border has been surprisingly effective. Substantial Soviet gains along the Arctic and a sinister threat in the center have not offset the valiance of the Finnish defense soldiers. Claims of the contending armies conflict but enough is known to confirm the suspicion that the Red Army is not what the world feared it might be.

How long the Finns can maintain themselves in the face of increasing numbers opposing them is the real problem. The winter weather is sure to be helpful and if other nations provide sufficient war supplies, the Finns think they can hold out for some months to come. Great Britain and France will give some assistance in war materials and the United States is expected to provide some money.

The Soviet government refuses to dignify the struggle by the term "war", insisting before the League of Nations, just prior to being expelled from the group, that the Russian armies were merely assisting the Red government of Finland to suppress disorder. Moscow, it should be understood, declines to deal with the Helsinki government, claiming that the real government is that set up by the Reds when the Russian invasion began.

Russian strategy is aimed at dividing Finland by cutting the northern and southern sections in half. At its narrowest point Finland is only 125 miles wide. This is where Sweden and Finland start their common frontier. If the Red army succeeds in reaching the Swedish border, it will divide the Finns and make it difficult to send supplies to southern Finland, now blockaded by the Soviet Navy.

Armies Quiet, Sea War Bitter

Fighting on the front between Germany and France continues to be desultory, being restricted to patrol actions. Both armies remain in readiness for action but neither side seems inclined to begin anything like a big land offensive. The strategy behind these tactics for the Allied nations has been discussed before in this column. Why Germany hesitates is a matter of speculation because every passing week undoubtedly means the strengthening of her adversaries for battle.

In the North sea naval warfare rages unrestrained with German airplanes repeatedly attacking small British craft. The mines continue to take a heavy toll of vessels and submarines also score successes despite the action of patrol ships. The combined loss-

es, however, do not equal the appalling ship sinkings that startled the Allied powers in 1917 and British officials continue to proclaim that the German effort to blockade England is a failure.

British flying patrols have been more active than usual, reporting several successes in bombing German shore establishments. Berlin counters with saying that the British air force suffered enormous losses. Nobody knows which statement is nearest the truth but it may be said that future events will give the answer. If British planes continue their harrowing tactics it may be assumed that the results are profitable; if not, the Germans have adequate defenses.

British Navy Scores Heavily

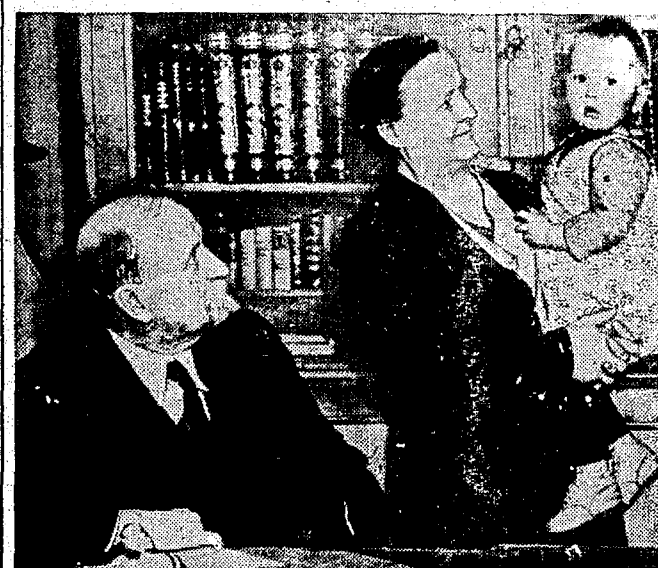
The battle between the three British cruisers and the Admiral Graf Spee, off the eastern coast of South America, ended with the scuttling of the German pocket-battleship outside the Montevideo harbor, where the German warship fled after a fourteen-hour running fight with the smaller British ships.

Naval experts were undoubtedly surprised that the cruisers, one eight-inch ship and two six-inch ships, were able to successfully attack the feared commerce raider. The fact that the larger British cruiser was unmercifully pounded by the 11-inch guns of the Admiral Graf Spee, suffering heavy loss of life, and being put out of commission after four hours' fighting, make more remarkable the feat of the smaller Ajax and Achilles in continuing the battle and forcing the German warship to seek safety in a neutral port.

The Admiral Graf Spee was the pride of the German navy. Completed in 1936, the warship secretly left Germany during the summer and was in southern seas when war began. It immediately began to prey upon shipping, causing the British and French to dispatch heavy forces to apprehend and destroy her. While only three cruisers took part in the fight, it became known shortly afterwards that a British battle cruiser, an aircraft carrier, a French battleship and a number of cruisers were on duty in the South Atlantic.

The victory was a "shot" to British morale, coming as it did with reported damage to several German cruisers by submarines and the scuttling of a large German merchant ship off the coast of the United States. The combination gave the British public the best week that they have enjoyed since the war began because, for the first time, the naval war was making itself felt upon Germany.

Finland's President Is a 'Home Body'



While his ambassadors were presenting Finland's case before Soviet leaders in Moscow, President Kyyro Kallio spent quiet evenings at home with his family. The picture shows President Kallio with Mrs. Kallio and their child.

Quads Are Nearing Two-Thirds Mark



America's youngest quads, right to left, Jeanette, Joan, Geraldine and Joyce Badgett, who are nearing eight months, continue to thrive.

TRUTH about ADVERTISING

By CHARLES B. ROTH

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SUCCESS

WE OFTEN say when we discuss various things we acquire that it isn't the original cost that counts. It is the upkeep. This is particularly true of success.

The fact is that there is a responsibility of success which failure or mediocrity never knows. The man who is successful, who achieves in whatever line he may enter, has an obligation and a responsibility which requires that he continue to do his very best.

Especially is this true of business. To make a brief success of a business isn't hard. To build a lasting success requires close application and a fine sense of the obligation which success implies and demands.

If advertising served no other purpose than to create the obligation of success it would perform a useful social and economic act, for advertising holds up this obligation of success and demands that it be observed constantly.

Whenever a manufacturer or a merchant begins to advertise he sets self-imposed standards on himself. By these standards do others judge him. By these standards do they also classify him.

He has an obligation to live up to every day; henceforward.

If he hadn't advertised, he could give good quality one day and poor quality the next and get by with it. But when he comes out boldly in print and advertises, the die is cast, and he must forever live up to the highest ideals.

Shrewd men have thought that they could controvert this law. By putting quality and good value into a product and then by advertising it, they have succeeded in a short time in building up a big business. And then came temptation.

"Why maintain all this quality?" they ask themselves. The public will never know. Why not cut the quality but continue the advertising and clean up? They have tried. But the public does know quality, is quick to perceive deception, and abandons the man or product which tries to substitute inferiority for honest merchandise.

There is no quicker way to ruin a business than to set up a standard and then violate it. There is no better way to build a business than to set up a standard and then live up to it.

Advertising is the great setter of standards in American business life, and advertised goods are the standards by which you spend your income, confident of getting your money's worth every day.

The man who advertises has assumed the responsibility for success. You'd rather deal with a responsible man, wouldn't you?

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G-MAN'S SOFT SIDE



They all have their weaker side and this picture is the proof. This doll was entered in the hobby fair at Chicago by Melvin Purvis, former G-man and killer of John Dillinger. Doll collecting is one of Mr. Purvis' hobbies.

GABBY GERTIE



"A chatter wouldn't sound so flat if he'd make his chatter flatter."

My Neighbor

Says:

Never stretch pie crust to fit a plate. Dough shrinks when baking.

In preparing Welsh rabbits be careful not to overcook them or they will become stringy.

Put fresh bread, that is to be used in making sandwiches, into the refrigerator for an hour and it will cut more easily.

If cheese is wrapped in a cloth moistened with vinegar and placed in a covered dish it will keep moist for some time.

Cut flowers will last much longer during the winter months if they are put into lukewarm water when they come from the florist.

Soap jelly suitable for laundering clothes can be made by putting left-over soap bits in a jar and covering them with boiling water.

(Associated Newspapers—WNU Service.)
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—5 room house for sale.
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6 line ad costs 60c for 2 insertions or \$1.20 for 4.

JUST THINK OF IT!

We'll say for example, that this property is priced at \$4,000. And we're willing to bet our last cent that the owner would gladly pay \$25 to make the sale, but still hesitates about paying the difference between these two ads AND REMEMBER this ad goes into over 800 homes each time it runs.

For best results, make your classified ads interesting. Our ad-taker will gladly help you prepare an interesting result-getting ad.

IN NEXT SUNDAY'S NEWS SUPERMAN COMIC STARTS

SUPERMAN, the sensational comic strip character, will be published in color starting in next Sunday's Detroit News. The daily strip starts on Monday, January 1.

Superman is the lone survivor of a catastrophe on a distant planet which enjoyed a civilization far advanced beyond that of earth. When he lands here, he surprises humans with his tremendous feats of strength. He can toss an auto around as though it were an Indian club. He vaults skyscrapers with ease and his skin is so tough it can deflect bullets with ease!

Watch for Superman's thrilling adventures in his fight against crime. Don't forget the dates, next Sunday in colors and daily starting Monday in black and white.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the matter of the estate of Louis Malonen, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that two months from the 21st day of December A. D. 1939, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the City of Grayling in said county, on or before the 2nd day of March A. D. 1940 and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 4th day of March A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated December 15, 1939.
Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

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EUROPEAN WAR



MARS GOES TO WORK

French poilu puzzles over street sign in captured German village.

Hitler Still Grabbing

MARCH
12-German troops mass near border of Slovakia.
13-Czechoslovakia submits to Hitler's demands for further break-up of the Czech state.
14-Slovakia formally secedes from Czechoslovakia and becomes independent state under German protection.
15-Hitler seizes Bohemia and Moravia, completing subjugation of Czechoslovakia.
16-Hitler absorbs Slovakia. Hungary annexes part of Carpatho-Ukraine.
17-Germany puts pressure on Poland.
18-Poland refuses German demand for pathway to East Prussia.

APRIL
4-Poland joins British in war alliance.
17-Germany pushes drive to take Danzig. French fleet guards Gibraltar. British fleet sails to Malta.

MAY
7-Nazis plan plebiscite in Danzig.
8-Pope invites five powers to Vatican pact to settle Polish-German dispute.
20-Germany fortifies its eastern frontier against Poland.

JUNE
1-Hitler pledges Germany will support Jugo-Slavia's border.
20-German troops move to encircle Poland.
22-Britain appeals to Germany to settle dispute by negotiations.

JULY
4-Warsaw reports 8,000 Polish families in East Prussia are forced to move away from border.

AUGUST
13-Germany and Italy establish policy on Danzig; Polish attitude called unbearable.
15-Germany takes military possession of Slovakia.
21-Germany announces nonaggression pact with Russia.
22-German troops mass near Polish corridor.
23-Germany and Russia sign nonaggression pact.
25-Britain and Poland sign war alliance.
26-Japanese cabinet abandons Rome-Berlin line.
28-Poland asks British help under new mutual aid pact.

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31-Germany opens war on Poland.

SEPTEMBER
3-Britain and France declare war on Germany.
British ship Athenia torpedoed off coast of Ireland, 1,400 aboard, 43 lost.
Germany blockades British navy.
Germans shell Warsaw; government and citizens flee.
President Roosevelt proclaims U. S. neutrality.
6-Nazis appeal to Britain to rush aid.
France invades Germany; British troops arrive.
7-Nazis torpedo sink five ships.
8-French planes bomb Siegfried line.
10-German counterattack halts French on western front; Polish border.
12-German forces shut a vise on Warsaw.
13-British army lands in France without loss.
Polish defense cracks; Nazis move eastward.
16-Russian troops invade Poland to "protect minorities."
17-Warsaw decides to fight on after Poland's defenses collapse under Nazi pressure.
18-Russian army drives 50 miles into Poland.
20-Report Red purge of former officials in Polish army.
22-French repulse wave after wave of Nazi shock troops.
23-French drive German tanks in two big air battles; bombard whole length of Siegfried line; bomb Zeppelin works.
27-Warsaw surrenders to Germans after 20-day siege.
28-Estonia extends alliance with Russia.
29-Britain denies warning by foes to stop war.

OCTOBER
1-Britain calls 250,000 more troops.
7-Hitler makes peace proposals to Britain and France; seeks armistice.
9-Hitler seeks aid area in Poland for Germans to be transported from other countries.
12-French premier spurns Hitler's peace terms.
13-Britain refuses peace based on Nazi conquests.
14-British battleship Royal Oak sunk by sub, 788 lost.
15-German planes raid Scapa Flow.
16-British training ship damaged.
17-British report three U-boats sunk.
18-Germans capture American ship City of Flint and take it to Soviet port.
24-American ship City of Flint, turned over to Germany by Russia, sails from Russia.

NOVEMBER
1-Norway frees City of Flint and interns German prize crew. Finland declares Soviet threat, ready to fight.
7-Belgium and Holland offer to mediate peace between warring nations.
8-Hitler escapes plot; blast in Munich beer cellar kills 6 and injures 60.
9-Dutch open defense dikes; clash at border with Germans.
10-French repulse night infantry raids by Germans.
11-French repulse two German attacks.
12-Four more merchantmen sunk in sea warfare.
13-Germans shoot nine Czech students, seize 1,200 and close academies for three years.
14-Dutch liner hits German mine in North sea, sinks with 140 lives.
15-Four more ships sunk by German mines off England.
16-Germans extend war at sea; 10 vessels sunk since November 18; 133 dead or missing.
17-French-Belgian treaty seen as channel for France to get German coke.
18-Germans open officers' ranks to all soldiers; royalty backs Hitler.

21-Germany charges Munich man with beer cellar explosion; arrests two.
22-Britain declares unrestricted blockade of Germany in reprisal for legal mine warfare; forbids neutral nations to trade with Germany.
23-British destroyer sunk, 40 missing.
24-Nazi bombers raid Shetlands, no damage done.
25-French report torpedo boat sank two.

26-Eight more vessels sunk; total for six days.
27-France and Britain claim 20 air victories in three days on western front.
28-Polish government begins functioning in France.
29-Bulgaria permits British to establish propaganda center in Sofia.
30-British cruiser damaged in port by blast from mine or submarine.
31-French repulse German attack east of Moselle river.

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23-Montgomery Ward cash appropriation bill as passed by senate.
24-Fritz Kuhn, Nazi band leader, indicted on charges of theft charges.
25-Yankee Clipper returns from Europe.

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1-Senate passes bill lifting long term bonded national debt limit above \$30,000,000,000.
2-Contract for 24 warships costing \$30,000,000 awarded by navy department.
3-Farm bill, Judge Manton found guilty of bribery.
4-House rejects plan to make Hyde Park house a memorial to President Roosevelt.
5-King George and Queen Elizabeth of Britain enter United States at Niagara Falls, officially welcomed by Secretary of State Hull.
6-King and Queen Great Britain welcomed to Washington by President Roosevelt; attend state dinner.
7-House votes big slash in payroll taxes; benefits are increased.
8-Senate passes bill to amend U. S. Navy's drastic limitations on future operations of TVA.
9-House passes tax bill of 1,844 millions; retains nuisance taxes, but revokes levies on corporations.
10-Senate committee boosts pork barrel bill from \$83,848,100, as passed by the house, to \$407,855,800.
11-House restores 77 millions previously cut from army appropriation bill.
12-Farm bill, boosts 25 millions by the house.
13-Fraud barred at Louisiana university.
14-Louisiana steps down once, Lieut. Gov. Long is sworn in in Louisiana.
15-\$600,000 fraud laid to President Smith of University of Kentucky.
16-Senate adds \$13 million to relief bill and passes it.
17-Federal administration defeat of neutrality bill; endorses embargo on arms shipments.
18-Senate lets Roosevelt's money rule die by preventing legislation to extend.
19-House passes neutrality bill barring arms shipments.

JULY
6-Senate adopts conference report on reviving President's money power.
7-W. P. Buckner given two years in prison on Philippine railway bond charges.
8-President gives Paul V. McNutt of Indiana job as head of the newly created federal security administration.
9-Senate votes to fix payroll tax at 1 percent until 1941.
10-President signs bill giving war department power to hide secret new submarine.
11-House passes bill to curb bureaucrats in politics.
12-Senate approves shelve President's \$800,000,000 housing program.
13-Nationwide lottery swindle using name of Will Rogers exposed.
14-One killed, seven shot in battle over nonunion labor at Boonville, Ind.
15-Nazis scrap trade treaty with Japan.
16-Francis B. Sayre nominated for high court by Roosevelt.
17-Senate lops \$1,615,000 from spending bill and passes it.

AUGUST
1-Army's flying fortress flies coast to coast in 9 1/2 hours.
2-Hopkins, President's lending, spending, and budget director.
3-House slashes \$161,000,000 from final spending bill.
4-Senate passes third deficiency bill of 188 millions.
5-Agreement reached on social security amendment cutting payroll tax \$500,000,000 in next three years.
6-Congress adjourns after appropriating more than \$1,000,000,000.
7-Former Governor Leche of Louisiana and two others indicted in hot oil suit.
8-President advances Thanksgiving day one week, naming November 23.
9-WPA raises pay of 2,000 workers \$5,000,000 a month. New York fair asks bondholders for \$4,820,000 to debt.
10-U. S. and Canada sign new pact for air service.
11-Louisiana oil czar, Dr. J. A. Shaw, witness against ex-Gov. R. W. Leche, kills self.
12-President pleads for peace; cables Hitler, Pils, and king of Italy.
13-German liner Bremen held up at sea.
14-Senate allows to depart from Bremen.

SEPTEMBER
2-Liner Bremen allowed to depart from Bremen.
6-Roosevelt establishes naval patrol along Atlantic coast.
11-President sets quota on sugar to curb prices.
12-Steel plants and railroads call back their workers.
13-Congress called for September 21.
14-Borah opposes repeal of arms embargo as likely to put American into war.
15-Soviet purchasing agent flies of payment connected with neutrality pact.
16-At a conference of Republican and Democratic national committees, repeal of neutrality act.
17-Congress convenes in special session; Roosevelt reports of arms embargo provision of neutrality act.
18-American Legion convenes in annual session in Chicago.
19-Sudden dissolution of war resources board caused surprise.
20-Administration's neutrality repealer bill sent to the senate.
21-Powerful naval fleet ordered to Hawaii.

OCTOBER
2-Debate on repeal of neutrality act begins in senate.
3-Army places an order for 232 high-speed, light tank and draft dodger, sentenced to 7 1/2 years in prison.
4-Bishop Abbotville sent to prison for child molestation.
5-War department orders 65,000 semi-automatic rifles.
6-William Green elected president of A. F. of L. for sixteenth time.
7-Brazil orders \$5,870,000 rail equipment from America.
8-President closes American ports to submarines of warring nations.
9-New house bill bans financial aid to warring nations.
10-Roosevelt sets three-mile limit for fishing boats.
11-Indiana endurance fliers descend after 535 hours; new record.
12-Senate approves cash and carry amendments to neutrality bill.
13-Government issues 236 railroads under federal control.
14-Senate votes, 63 to 30, to repeal arms embargo provision of neutrality act.
15-Carl Weiss, Missouri flyer, kidnapped and slain in his own plane by Ernest.
16-California fliers land after 728 hours in air—new record.
17-U. S. assesses Germany \$50 millions for Black Tom and Kingsland blasts during World war.
18-United Mine Workers raise \$3,000,000 for political fight in 1940.
19-President asks 276 million for added defense.

NOVEMBER
2-House votes against embargo on arms.
3-Congress passes neutrality repeal bill and adjourns.
4-Senate passes repeal bill and bars war zones to American shipping.
5-Supreme court rules state cannot restrict pension plans defeated in Ohio and California.
6-Senate passes bill to cotton growers on new crop.
7-Navy sends marines to Hawaii to investigate.
8-Fifteen U. S. oil tankers transferred to Panamanian registry.
9-C. I. O. resume peace negotiations with A. F. of L.
10-U. S. given 6 to 24 years for universal military training.
11-New York lawyer, disbarred in Manton scandal.
12-Al Capone, gang leader, released from federal prison; enters Baltimore hospital.
13-Dr. Smith, former U. S. president, attempts suicide in prison.
14-General Motors found guilty in antitrust suit; 17 individuals acquitted.
15-Chicago mayor offers \$25,000 to prosecute to Chrysler employees who want to work.
16-Foreign nation reported to be heavy with copper.
17-Court upholds C. I. O. over A. F. of L. in union fight.

21-Proportion of civil service employees reduced under President Roosevelt.
22-U. S. court upholds wage-hour law in Montgomery Ward case.
23-Supreme court voids cities' ban on handbills.
24-President suggests special taxes for half billion increase in defense appropriations.
25-President summons budget director to discuss departmental cuts.
26-Morgenthau declares next congress must lift legal debt limit.
27-Chrysler company and C. I. O. agree on basis of peace after auto plants are tied up 53 days.
28-Jury finds German-American band leader Fritz Kuhn guilty on forgery and theft charges.
29-Roosevelt sends sharp note to Russia asking that bombing of cities stop.

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LOCALS

THURSDAY, DEC. 28, 1939

Mrs. William Golnick, who has been ill for some time, is able to be around again.

Rollo Failing and family have moved from the Howard Bunker house to their own home on the South side.

Big New Year Eve dance at the Lyric Sunday night. Favors and noise makers for everybody. Six-piece orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovely entertained the members of the Lovely family numbering 15, at their home at dinner on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield are the proud parents of a daughter, Christine Louise, born to them at Mercy Hospital Sunday, December 24.

DANCE at the Lyric, West side Higgins lake, Saturday night, December 30. Also big New Year Eve dance Sunday night; modern and old time dances. Six-piece orchestra.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Agda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Algot Johnson and Mr. Howard Granger, son of Mrs. Celia Granger, that will take place Sunday afternoon at 4:00 at Danish-Lutheran church. A wedding dinner will follow at Shoppenagons Inn.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. Rasmus Hanson was pleasantly entertained by the members of the Sunday school of the Grayling Lutheran church, when they went to her home. They presented a short play entitled "The Christmas Rose" and sang several Christmas carols, much to that lady's delight. All were treated to candy before leaving.

Miss Lila Rohm, supervisor, and John R. McDonald, special representative of the State Bureau of Social Security, were guests at Shoppenagons Inn last week Thursday night. Mr. McDonald was in Grayling conferring with Miss Rohm and Mrs. Laura Olson, Crawford county supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid, regarding the new offices of the Bureau which were opened in the Courthouse December 1st.

Dining Room Suite for sale. Dining table, buffet and 6 leather seated chairs. All in excellent condition. Phone 3121, Mrs. Oscar Schumann.

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Grayling Funeral Home

Gloria Moore says she is helping out at the reception room of Dr. Cook. "What a vacation!" she says.

Friends of Luther Herrick will be pleased to learn that he is somewhat improved after being quite seriously ill at his home.

Charles Richardson, age 71 years, died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Hjalmar Mortenson in Beaver Creek, at 10:00 o'clock this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal A. Wright left this morning for Detroit where they will join Mr. and Mrs. Skillman and together they will go to the latter's ranch in Georgia for a couple of weeks of quail hunting. Later all will go to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for the winter.

John Wakeley is serving 25 days in the county jail charged with the reckless use of firearms while intoxicated. Sheriff Papendick was called to his home Saturday afternoon, after Wakeley had shot himself with a 22 rifle, the bullet entering the upper left chest and coming out under the left arm.

As a farewell tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Royal A. Wright, who are leaving for the south for the winter, a few friends gathered at the home of Judge and Mrs. Charles E. Moore for a banquet Tuesday evening. The evening was spent playing bridge, throwing the bean bag and shooting darts. Sal says to be sure and say that she and O. P. won the honors at beans. This may arouse some dispute, but then...

Complimenting their sister Miss Anna, of Grand Rapids, who was home for the yuletide festivities, Misses Margrethe and Olga Nielsen entertained at two tables of bridge Saturday evening. Mrs. Carl Sorenson and Mrs. A. J. Nelson held the honor scores and Miss Nielsen received the guest gift. The lunch table was lovely with Christmas greens and red lighted tapers.

It is always a pleasure to hear from an old subscriber. This week, accompanying his check for renewal of his subscription, N. P. Salling of 1138 Ripman Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., says: "Merry Christmas from an old subscriber since 1883." We're indeed pleased to receive this fine Christmas greeting. Thank you, Mr. Salling, and a Happy New Year.

The schedule of Grayling High school basketball games have had a few changes. Those holding season tickets please make note of the changes. The Gaylord-Grayling games reverse dates, Gaylord playing here January 5th and Grayling at Gaylord January 26th. Also the Grayling-Bozette game, scheduled to be played here Jan. 6th, will be changed to January 9th. (Those holding season tickets please take notice).

Mr. and Mrs. James Tobin of Frederic entertained the following guests at a delicious six-course Christmas dinner, Mrs. Laura Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craven, Mr. Wilson Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brennan, Jr., and daughter Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Melroy and son Clare Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gram and son Jimmie and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wallace.

Edward Feldhauser of Maple Forest is driving a special deluxe Chevrolet sport sedan, purchased from Alfred Hanson.

Dance the old year out and the New Year in at the Lyric, West side of Higgins Lake, Sunday night, December 31. Modern and Old Time dancing.

A daughter, Rosalie Carol, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Olson, of Frederic Tuesday, December 26 at Mercy Hospital, passing away the same day. Funeral services will be held from the home in Frederic Sunday. Mrs. Olson was formerly Miss Molly O'Dell.

Friday night, December 29, the Moose Basketball team will meet the Oscoda team on the home floor. It is reported that Oscoda has a good team so this should be a good game. Everybody plan to see it.

Because there were so many parties before Christmas, the American Legion Auxiliary waited until Wednesday to entertain children of the Legionnaires. There was a pretty tree with a nice gift for everyone and ice cream and cake were served.

The Avalanche is glad to present in this issue to its readers a chronology of events for the year of 1939 as compiled by John D. Grant. This will be found to be accurate and interesting and worth filing away for future use should occasion require.

William Hill, enroute home from Lansing for Christmas, was taken with a heart attack in Grand Rapids Saturday and has been a patient at St. Mary's hospital since. Mrs. Hill and son John left for his bedside and were joined by another son, Robert, who was coming home from the Naval Academy at Annapolis. They returned to Grayling Wednesday leaving Mr. Hill recovering so well that he would probably be dismissed from the hospital today.

Miss Elizabeth Matson, of Trenton, daughter of Mrs. Efrer Matson, is in Boston this week where she is writing on a competitive examination for a position as instructor of physical education in the State Teachers college of that place. Applicants require a master degree from some college together with practical experience. Miss Matson has had both. No doubt competition will be keen for the applicants have been selected from all over the country for their outstanding qualifications.

Dr. J. Fred Cook played Santa Claus to some 140 kiddies Thursday afternoon at his office. Invitations were issued and there were but few who did not respond. They were greeted by a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree and each one received a gift besides a stocking of candies and nuts. Many little hearts were gladdened by the Doctor's thoughtfulness and generosity. He says if there are any who received an invitation and did not call that afternoon that there is still a gift awaiting them and they may call any time.

Sixty children, members of the catechism classes, enjoyed the Christmas party at St. Mary's parish hall Thursday afternoon, that is given annually. They played games and sang carols and a prayer for world wide peace was said in unison. Ice cream and cake were served and gifts exchanged that were found under a beautifully decorated tree. The lunch tables were pretty with evergreens, poinsettias and lighted tapers. Mrs. Adolph Peterson, Mrs. Liland Snook, Miss Odie Sheehy, Mrs. W. J. Heric and Mrs. Carl Nielsen arranged the very pretty affair.

The annual Christmas tree for the Grayling Lutheran church was held at Danebod hall Tuesday evening. A program was enjoyed that consisted of recitations by the Sunday school children, and a play, "The Christmas Rose," was presented by the older group. Another short skit was given by the girls of the Junior Ladies Aid society, entitled "The Christmas Child." The children danced around the prettily decorated Christmas tree singing carols. Grown-ups and children alike always enjoy this Christmas affair, that has been the custom of the church for years. Closing the evening coffee and cake were enjoyed.

The committee of judges from the Kiwanis club awarded the prize for the best Christmas decorated home to Mrs. Dewey Palmer and daughter Mrs. Joe Lennert. There were two life-size deer harnessed and drawing a normal size sleigh in which Santa Claus was riding. The latter, carrying a pack full of Christmas presents, was decked out in real Santa Claus style, red nose, big belly and all. It looked like a really-to-goodness Santa Claus. The yard about was dotted with evergreen trees, Christmas lights illuminated the place. It was an original and really clever piece of decorating. The winners were awarded a Kiwanis check for \$5.00 in reward for their efforts.

Mrs. Celia Granger entertained her children and their families at Christmas dinner Monday. Thirteen sat down to the delicious dinner.

From a miniature church that was erected over the canopy of the Rialto theatre, bells through a loud speaker chimed out Christmas carols and cheer, that were heard all over the city. Beautifully lighted Christmas trees surrounded the church. It was a clever manner in which to spread yuletide cheer, besides being a very lovely decoration.

Richard Atkinson, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Atkinson had the misfortune to break his right leg below the knee, Friday afternoon. While playing in the yard of the Don Sweeney home he climbed up on a cement bird bath and was jumping off of it, when it tipped over pinning his leg underneath it. An X-ray showed that the main bone was broken.

Personal News

Mrs. Marion Bursch of Traverse City spent over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reynolds and son Dick of Midland, spent Christmas at the parental homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Schmidt and son Devere, spent Christmas with relatives in Detroit.

Jack McClain is home from Ypsilanti visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McClain.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond and children left Sunday for Olivet and Burnside to spend the holiday recess.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Kuhlman spent Christmas day at the home of their daughter and husband in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McInnis of Detroit were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milnes and family over Christmas.

Miss Eunice Schrieber of Muskegon is spending her vacation visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schrieber.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger D. Hanson left Saturday to spend Christmas in Detroit with the former's brother, Emil Hanson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cripps and son spent Christmas with the latter's sister, and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clement at Cooke Dam.

Carl Peterson Jr., of Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, is spending his holiday vacation visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Peterson.

Mrs. Andrew Peterson is spending the Christmas and New Year holidays visiting in Detroit. Her son Axel J. Peterson came up to accompany her there.

Mrs. Helen Rottier and son Ralph left Wednesday for their home in Detroit after spending Christmas with Miss Margrethe Sauman and other relatives.

Kenneth Hoesli and Paul Lovely Jr., left Tuesday by motor for Florida to remain until sometime in April. This is the third such trip the former has made.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Winslow spent the Christmas holidays visiting in Sheldon, Illinois. They were accompanied by Robert Winslow of Mt. Clemens.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Thompson and children were Christmas guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson at St. Helen. The Wayne Thompson family of Drayton Plains were also there for the day.

Sister Mary Pancretia of Cadillac and Sisters M. Bede and M. Norbert of Traverse City are spending the week here at Mercy Hospital. Sister M. Pancretia while here is enjoying visiting her mother Mrs. Thomas Cassidy and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Pearsall and family, who have been residing in Detroit, have returned to Roscommon to live. They enjoyed the annual Danish Christmas tree Tuesday night and visited relatives here.

Clarence Valencourt of East Jordan, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Schive of Warren, Ohio spent Christmas day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bishaw. Mr. Valencourt is Mrs. Bishaw's father and Mrs. Schive her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gross had as their guests Christmas Day, Mrs. Gross' sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Rutledge, and Mrs. Ethel Rutledge, and son Blaine, all of Roscommon, and Earl Dragg of Cleveland.

Public Notice

Beginning Dec. 12, I will be at the Town hall every Tuesday and Saturday thereafter, until Jan. 10, to collect township taxes. Clara Madsen, 11-23-1f Treas. Grayling Twp.



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Mr. and Mrs. John Erkes spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Grand Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Brown of Port Huron spent the yuletide visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann were in Saginaw Sunday and Monday to spend Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Bauer Jr.

Mrs. Kenneth Dobbys of Detroit is a house guest of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport. Tuesday and Wednesday they enjoyed a visit from their nephew Bill Downer, of Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Miesel and children spent Christmas with relatives in Bay City. The former returned home Tuesday and Mrs. Miesel and children went on to Detroit to spend the week, where Mr. Miesel will join them for New Year's.

Claude VanPatten, who with his brother Ernest operate a sawmill in the Upper Peninsula, spent Christmas with his family who are visiting at the home of Mrs. VanPatten's mother, Mrs. Seeley Wakeley. He also visited his brothers Phil and George.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cowell and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Wright, entertained a houseful of guests over the Christmas week end. They included Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Christopher and daughter Mary Ellen and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Wright and daughter Helen Penelope, all of Chicago. Mrs. Christopher is a daughter and Mr. Wright a grandson of the Wrights.

Mr. and Mrs. William Simpson of Romeo entertained her mother Mrs. Eva Wingard and sister Mrs. A. J. Trudeau and family at their cottage at Lakeview Park for dinner on Christmas. They had come for the holidays, however Mrs. Simpson and son Robert Gates returned to Romeo Tuesday but will be returning for New Years. They say that they plan to spend a lot of their leisure time at their lake cottages this winter, instead of going south.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brady spent Christmas in Detroit with relatives of the former.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmidt and family spent the Christmas week end with Mrs. Schmidt's parents in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fitzpatrick and little son of Detroit spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kraus.

Miss Helen Brady of Lansing and Jerome Brady of Detroit spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nielsen drove to Alpena this morning. The former is enjoying a ten-day vacation from his duties at Grayling Fish hatchery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hatfield enjoyed having as their guests for the Christmas holidays, the former's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cole, and brothers, George and William Hatfield of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn F. Penrod returned Wednesday evening from Houghton, Mich., where they were called owing to the death of the latter's aunt, Mrs. S. Buchanan. They were gone ten days.

Mrs. Henry Wilcox and Mrs. Richard Snyder and daughter Margrethe Kristine of Saginaw are spending the yuletide season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson. Messrs. Wilcox and Snyder were here over Christmas and will be returning for New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harrison of Lincoln, Nebraska, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayotte and Benny Jorgenson spent the Christmas week end with the former's parents in Munising. Mr. Jorgenson went on to Marquette where he will spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hoesli had as Christmas guests their daughter Mrs. William Blanchard and little daughter Ginger, of Flint, the Fred Hoesli family of Petoskey and Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Hoesli, the latter who are spending some time at Higgins lake owing to the former's ill health. Fred Hoesli Jr., of Petoskey, is remaining for the week with his grandparents.

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The Blood Heb 9:22
That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13
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Sun. Night, Dec. 31

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Plenty of caps and noise makers for everybody.

Also Dance Saturday Night, December 30th.

Six piece orchestra. Modern and old time dancing.

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Beer

Wine

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Finnish Baths Long In Use

Finnish baths—with plenty of steaming followed by a cold plunge—are an established institution in many an upper peninsula community. But the invigorating effects of the 'Finnish Bath' were known to the people of upper Michigan long before the first Finns arrived.

A passing note titled 'Indian medical facts' among the geological observations in the field books of Dr. Douglas Houghton, Michigan's first and most famous geologist, tells the story. In August 15, 1832, when camped near the Ontonagon river, Dr. Houghton wrote:

"Their sweating lodges are a curiosity. A lodge is constructed of bark and covered with blankets. In this upon one side are placed several large stones heated to redness. The patient seats himself naked upon cedar boughs in the opposite side of the lodge and with a bunch of feathers or a branch of some evergreen tree he sprinkles the stones with water in which has been placed a small quantity of a decoction of the leaves of several evergreens (pine, white cedar, spruce and balsams). The lodge is filled with water vapor and the patient falls into a profuse perspiration. Having remained a suitable length of time (varying from a quarter of an hour to two hours) he leaves the lodge and either plunges into cold water, or more frequently being wrapped up warm remains quiet for two or three hours.

"The Indians suppose this to possess miraculous powers. An Indian who has been long on some arduous task is perhaps from his constant fatigue and exposure under the influence of some rheumatic affection. This, he avers, removes it effectually, and, as he says, 'limbers his joints.' It is used in almost all affections. . . ."

Surgeon Now Rare

In colonial days, surgeons were abundant in most of the rivers of the Atlantic coast. William Penn often commented on the incredible numbers of these giant fish which ascended the Delaware each spring. Now these fish are rare because of overfishing.

4 BRAN NEW BUSES FOR BLUE GOOSE LINES

Are Quieter And More Comfortable

Continuing to provide the most modern transportation service between Detroit and the Upper Peninsula, Eastern Michigan Motorbuses, operators of the "Blue Goose Line" has just placed four brand new buses in service.

The new vehicles of the semi-cruiser type went into operation Tuesday, according to P. L. Radcliffe, General Manager.

The buses have a seating capacity for 25 passengers and 20 of the seats are of the full reclining type, soft and well upholstered, and assuming a restful ride for patrons.

Particular attention has been paid to providing real comfort in cold weather, with the result the buses are equipped with storm windows and two hot water heaters.

Passengers will observe the balance of vibration and unusual quietness, for the engine is in the rear and separated from the passengers by a large, completely enclosed baggage compartment.

The bodies of the buses are of steel and aluminum construction; the four-wheel brakes are air operated and safety glass is used in all windows.

The new Blue Goose buses are built by General Motors Corp. and are of the latest design.

SLOVAKIA CHIEF



Rev. Joseph Tiso, who was unanimously elected president of Slovakia. Prior to his election he led the government as premier.

Gathering Funds For Finnish Relief

The Avalanche, in common with many other newspapers, will accept contributions for relief of Finnish refugees. Everyone knows the need of this assistance by people of this fine nation.

No solicitation will be made for funds, but anyone wishing to do so may pay their money or send checks directly to this office. Funds are already coming in and we are sure our Grayling people will feel it a privilege to aid in this worthy cause.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

Woodruff Named To Study Effects Of Trade Treaties

Washington, D. C.—Appointment of Congressman Roy O. Woodruff of Michigan to make a special study of the effects of reciprocal trade treaties has been announced here.

The Michigan Congressman was one of a small Republican Committee named by Minority Leader Joe Martin to make a thorough study of the effect of the tariff-reducing treaties on industry, agriculture, and labor.

The study is viewed as of unusual importance at this time in view of the growing opposition to the Trade Agreement program, and the fact that the law will come up for renewal or abandonment in the next Congress.

One of the charges most frequently leveled against the program, and which likely will receive special attention of the Woodruff committee is that in the drive to build up trade with foreign countries, trade among our own people has been hampered and actually seriously reduced. In addition to the many problems affecting continental industry the Committee will study those of the U. S. Possession of Puerto Rico, normally the third best customer for continental U. S. products in the western hemisphere, and sixth best in the entire world. Puerto Rico will inform the Committee that many of its products have been virtually driven out of the domestic market as a result of the trade treaties, and that as a result the island's ability to purchase from the mainland has been seriously impaired.

The Puerto Ricans are pointing out that their purchases from continental United States dropped almost \$10,000,000 last year and contend that their experience is typical of the rest of the United States. Since they make practically all their outside purchases from the mainland, the Puerto Ricans point out that this drop was due entirely to decreased income brought about, largely, because of the reciprocal trade policies.

In a pointing Congressman Woodruff and the others to the special committee, Congressman Martin said that special subcommittees would be named to go into various phases of the problem. Presumably hearings will be conducted in various parts of the country to get the reaction of local groups and to study the experience of various sections under the treaties.

My Neighbor Says: When fish is to be served as the main dish at a dinner, allow one-half pound for each person.

The reason that we add lemon juice to fish is that its alkaline nature demands something to neutralize it.

A piece of cheese about the size of a walnut, added to cream soup just before serving, gives it a delicious flavor.

Add lemon juice to peeled peaches, bananas or other fruits which are apt to turn brown before they are mixed into fruit salad.

If geraniums grown in the house begin to look scraggy and weak, nipping off the tops will cause branches to start along the stalks.

House plants do not thrive in a room that is too warm. Keep temperature at 60 or 65 degrees and place plants in a window where they will get sunlight. (Associated Newspapers—WNU Service.)

Indian Could be President Full citizenship rights have been bestowed on the American Indians. There is no legal restriction which would prevent an Indian, born in the United States, from becoming President.

To Flood 2,500 Acres At Houghton Lake

Completion of steel sheet pile driving at the dam site brings work on the Muskegon river biological development project to its winter phase.

When finished in the fall of 1940, the dam will create a shallow lake a mile wide and four miles long in the upper Muskegon and Dead stream area west of Houghton lake. Some 2,500 acres will be flooded and many islands, peninsulas, lagoons, bays and ponds will be created for the nesting of waterfowl and for the improvement of the area for muskrats and other furbearers.

Winter work on the project by enrollees of the Houghton Lake CCC camp, cooperating with the game division of the department of conservation on the job, will include timber cutting, back-filling behind wingwalls, additional riprapping of the dike and emergency spillway channel and manufacture of concrete stoplogs which will be used to raise the crest of the dam five feet through successive additions.

Concrete work will begin next spring. One of the 10 bays between piers of the dam will have a fish ladder, a sort of stairs of four-foot "treads" and 12-inch "risers" up which the fish may move in easy stages. Already excavated is an emergency spillway 100 feet wide and 1,700 feet long which will permit excessive floods to bypass the dam without damage.

Peak elevation of the lake to be impounded will be 1,139 feet above sea level, just a foot less than the legal norm for Houghton lake, source of the Muskegon river. The stop-log arrangement will permit varying the depth of water at different times of the year to aid different forms of wildlife.

Present intent is to maintain the bulk of this roadless wilderness area in its primitive condition and open to hunting and fishing with principal access by boat. Timber cutting this winter will clear the pond area near the dam and the tributaries for the sake of better appearance and for better small boat navigation. Plans also include a bridge across the Muskegon river 400 feet below the dam, and camp sites nearby.

GABBY GERTIE



"Only an ass carries a pack on his back in these days when cards fit into vest, pockets and vanity cases."

SHERIFF'S SALE

(Harwood-Bollinger Sale Sat., Feb. 10th)

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to me directed and delivered, in favor of Willard Harwood Bollinger and Ruth Bollinger, I did, on the 18th day of September, A. D. 1939 levy upon and take all the right, title and interest of said William Bollinger and Ruth Bollinger in and to the following described real estate, situated in the county of Crawford and State of Michigan, to wit:

All that certain piece and parcel of land situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, known and described as Lot 8 of Block 5 of Roffee's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded plat thereof.

All of which I shall expose for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, as the law directs at the front door of the Court-house in the City of Grayling (that being the building in which the Circuit Court for said county of Crawford, State of Michigan, is held) on Saturday the 10th day of February, A. D. 1940 at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

John A. Papendick, Sheriff.
Merle F. Nellist, Attorney for Plaintiff.
Dated December 27, 1939.
12-28-6

PECULIAR QUIRKS OF VISION

Fish do not have a flexible lens in their eye, as do human beings. The lens of a fish's eye is almost spherical and to focus on an object must be moved forward or backward in the eye.

Ninety-five per cent of all visual defects can be corrected by optical science.

Insects cannot move their eyes, which are set in their heads like jewels in a ring. To look around, insects must move their heads.

Some scientists say that fish cannot distinguish colors and that they will snap at a red fly as quickly as at a green fly. But the scientists will never be able to convince some fishermen that fish don't know their colors.

The first painting in which spectacles are shown on a person is that of Cardinal Ugone, painted in 1360 by de Modena. It now hangs in the church of San Nicola in Treviso, Italy.

The operator of a large number of trucks has suggested that all commercial vehicles on the highways be painted a standardized shade of yellow as a safety measure. He said that tests made by his company indicate that yellow trucks can be seen at a greater distance than trucks painted any other color.

Theodore Roosevelt was sickly in his youth and had poor eyesight. After discovering by accident that he could not see as well as his comrades, his visual defect was corrected with glasses. His health and vigor improved. Later in life he became known as one of the most active presidents in American history.

Life Like a Stream In a sense, life is like a stream. If its outlet is dammed in one direction, it will seek another outlet or will overflow.—Hygeia.

Public Notice

COUNTY AND SCHOOL TAXES DUE

I will be in my office in the City Hall from December 1st to January 10th for the collection of county and school taxes.

There will be no penalty if paid by January 10th.

FLORENCE BUTLER, City Treasurer.

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SPORTS WEAR



A smart sports coat of ivory and brown tweed in a diagonal weave. The coat is fitted to the waist and flares slightly to the hemline. A broad shallow collar of natural lynx with deep tabs at the front adds a flattering touch. With it is worn a brown felt kettle-brimmed sailor and brown accessories.

Asking Questions "Sometimes a man asks questions," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "merely to flatter us with the idea that he regards us as possessing superior knowledge."

Mouse-Deer Small Animal The mouse-deer, with its somewhat mouse-like face, stands only about 12 inches tall.

Record Of Fish Plantings In 1939

Total number of fish planted in Crawford county for 1939:

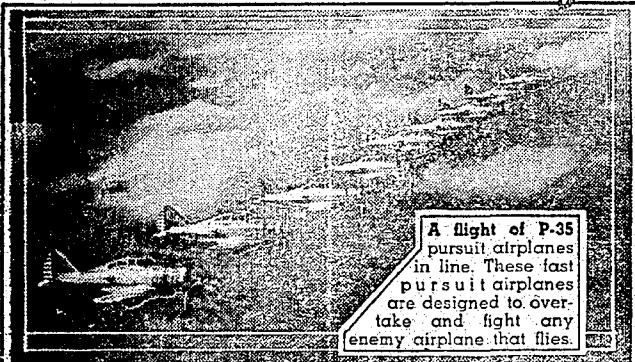
Pike-Perch, fry	3,209,568
Perch, fingerlings	50,000
Bluegills, 5 mo. old	202,000
Smallmouth Bass, adult	568
Smallmouth Bass	
4 months old	21,350
Brook Trout, adult	1,000
Brown Trout, adult	250
Rainbow Trout, adult	250
Brook Trout, yearlings	600
Brown Trout, yearlings	3,500
Rainbow Trout, yearlings	4,500
Brown Trout	
6-7 months old	89,520
Rainbow Trout	
5 months old	90,409
Brook Trout, 7-8 mo. old	339,770
Total	4,013,285

Total number of fish planted from Grayling Hatchery, year 1939:

Perch, fingerlings	717,000
Bluegills, 5 mo. old	919,000
Smallmouth Bass, adult	2,664
Smallmouth Bass	
4 mo. old	42,550
Brook Trout, adult	1,900
Brown Trout, adult	4,750
Rainbow Trout, adult	5,750
Brook Trout, yearlings	1,000
Brown Trout, yearlings	4,500
Rainbow Trout, yearlings	4,500
Brown Trout, 6-7 mo. old	350,820
Rainbow Trout, 5 mo. old	211,258
Brook Trout, 7-8 mo. old	685,305
Pike-Perch, fry	24,049,668
Complete total	27,000,565

A Queen's Bath In a corner of Holyrood palace grounds in Edinburgh is a small tower called "the Queen's Bath," where Mary Queen of Scots is said to have bathed in white wine.

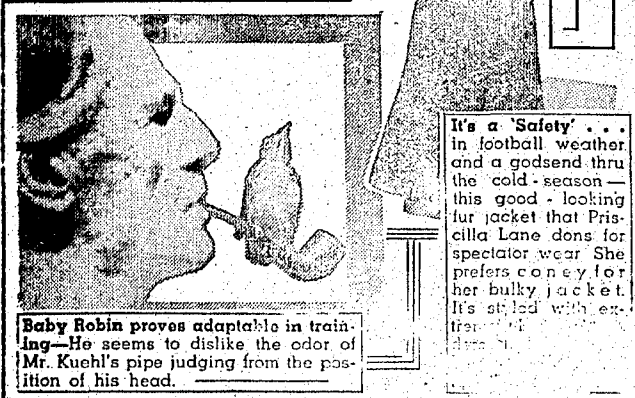
The HEADLINES Say:



A flight of P-35 pursuit airplanes in line. These fast pursuit airplanes are designed to overtake and fight any enemy airplane that flies.



AMERICA GIVES THANKS—The sentiment of a nation, rich in the harvest of peace and the goodness of life, is echoed in a stirring testimonial to the "American Way" by the House of Seagram for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Photo shows a typical American gazing across New York bay at the Statue of Liberty, while the testimonial states: "Under the American Way this country has produced a higher standard of living than is enjoyed in any other country in the world. No 'black bread' . . . no 'thin soup' . . . no synthetic foods will grace our Thanksgiving board. Instead roast turkey, pumpkin pie and all the trimmings of a holiday feast." The House of Seagram takes this occasion to express its confidence in the "American Way." We wish you and yours a bountiful Thanksgiving—celebrated in the traditional manner—with the finest of food and drink—but observed with the wisdom of moderation.



Baby Robin proves adaptable in training—He seems to dislike the odor of Mr. Kuehl's pipe judging from the position of his head.

It's a 'Safety' . . . in football weather and a godsend thru the cold season—this good-looking fur jacket that Priscilla Lane dons for spectator wear. She prefers cozy for her bulky jacket. It's styled with extra.

OUR SNAPSHOTS



AN UMP AND HIS DOG—St. Petersburg, Fla. American League Umpire George Pigoras at his home recently with his dog just before the Florida Hunting season opened for duck, deer, and turkey.



"GAY TWENTIES" is the name Russell Patterson (insert) gives to this pencil slim black crepe evening gown, one of a collection of six this noted American artist created exclusively for Arnold Constable, Fifth Avenue, New York's oldest department store. Note the eleven yards of pink net swooping out from just above the knee.



Chicago—Edson A. Smith of Detroit, left, for second successive year captures title of World's Champion Truck Driver by defeating entries from twenty states at National Truck Rodeo, Chicago. He is being congratulated by Harvey C. Fruhauf, commercial trailer manufacturer of Detroit. Frank Steed of Georgia was runner-up also for the second successive year.



GOWN OF CORE, SALT AND LIME—STONE—(left) Jane House, New York City model, dressed in a gown made of a new material known as Koroseal, won a prize at the Second Annual Rubber Ball held in Akron, Ohio, December 2. Koroseal is manufactured of limestone, coke and salt and was discovered in the laboratories of The B. F. Goodrich Company.